

August 15, 1978

Division of Wildlife Resources  
1596 West North Temple  
Salt Lake City, UT  
84116

ATTENTION: EARL SPARKS

Gentlemen:

The Division of State Lands is preparing an environmental assessment on the proposed development of a small tungsten mine on the E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 16, Township 9 North, Range 16 West, SLM., in Box Elder County (ML 34601-Metalliferous Minerals). The operation will disturb approximately one-half acre of surface area and will mine a volume of 500 tons per year.

Your immediate comments concerning the impact of such an operation upon known or suspected wildlife populations in the vicinity along with suggestions for possible mitigative measures is solicited.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN T. BLAKE  
ECONOMIC GEOGRAPHER

JTB/bp





DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

DONALD A. SMITH  
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August 21, 1978

Mr. John T. Blake  
Division of State Lands  
Empire Building  
231 East 400 South  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Dear Mr. Blake:

In reference to your letter of August 15, 1978 concerning the proposed development of a small tungsten mine in west Box Elder County, we have assessed the possible impacts to wildlife of this development and find they will be negligible. Thus, we concur with the lease for this development.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on this development.

Sincerely,

Donald A. Smith  
Director